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REPLY TO ACTION OF MAY 1, 2007

Claims 49, 51-60, 62-71, and 73-81 are currently pending in the application.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

I. The § 103 Rejections

Claims 49-81 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,987,463 ("Draaijer") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,292,827 ("Raz")

Applicant respectfully disagrees.

Claim 49 recites a second computer system processing a query including performing an operation on data and metadata to generate a result for the query, in which the data and the metadata were not stored on the second computer system prior to the second computer system receiving the request to process the query.

*A. Draaijer Fails To Disclose Processing, at a Second Computer System, a
Query Including Performing an Operation on Data and Metadata to Generate*